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The President and Office-Seckers. Washington is represented as jobs picked out. Solicitude is expressed for the President's health. Can be stand the strain? If he had nothing else to do could he receive and dispose of the army at the White House gates? But he has much else to do. Congress has the tariff bill on its hands, and he has

Congress on his hands. Then there are

foreign affairs to be considered-some of

them just now of a delicate nature. And These stories are very much exaggerated. No army of office-seekers is now in this town. The number, comparatively speaking, is small of those who would serve their country at home or abroad at a comfortable salary. And those present are not riotous. They are combining pleasure with business-viewing the sights of a sightly community while waiting for the White House verdict. Washington could house with ease a hundred times the number.

And the solicitude for the President is wholly unwarranted. He is not the kind of man to be upset, or "het up," by company seeking favors. He has strength, and the persuasive presentations of their years. cases. If anybody is losing sleep or flesh it is not the President.

Let the good people, if they so desire flock to the capital. Always presentable, and an object of pride to American visitors, it is at this season unusually attractive. The flowers in early bloom, the trees in early leaf, contribute to a picture which all should enjoy. And the increasing number of visitors shows the interest in Washington throughout the country from year to year.

Whether a man seeking office improves his chances by laying his case in person before the President is a question. It depenus. of course, much upon the man. But every man is entitled to the belief that he is good to see and to meet, and that a word or two of his own breathed into the President's ear will clinch his application. It is always dangerous to send a boy to mill. It is often so to leave your case entirely in the hands of a middleman, even when you have helred put that man in the middle. Come one, come all. This is at once the prettiest and most confortable town in America, and every man ambitious to serve his country in office should see the capital of the coun-

A Champion.

The craze for record breaking develops some peculiar symptoms. There are men who aspire to run longer distances than merely to see the city at a period of its any other man; men who desire to be greatest attractiveness, but to observe known as champion ple eaters; men who the workings of the federal legislature. want to lift heavy weights the greatest State superintendents of education would number of times; men who want to climb do wisely to recommend that a visit to the highest mountains, make the deepest Washington be made a part of the curdescents into the earth, consume the riculum in every one of the institutions greatest number of pounds of beefsteak, of learning within their jurisdiction above drink the most wine at a sitting and do the grammar schools. Every boy or girl an infinite variety of things, no one of who visits Washington in this manner which is conducive to the general welfare gains something that cannot be otherwise or an aid to the solution of the manifold acquired-a vivid concept of the United problems besetting society. The latest States as an organization. Travel is edurecord seeker is a dweller in the city of cational in any circumstances, but it is Battle Creek, Mich., an appropriately especially so when it results in bringing torial desk letters from constituents named place for a struggle for champion- the individual, particularly at an impresship. This young man is named Charles sionable age, in touch with politically Wright, who yesterday played a piano significant places and scenes. without cessation for twenty-seven hours The news dispatch which tells of this its varied population, for many of its achievement says:

"When Wright passed the record by one He received nourishment through a straw during the long hours of

played the piano incessantly for twenty- turn to stay. seven hours and forty-five minutes, some thing that this young man's descendants might better have been occupied laying limited respect. a street car track, or repairing plumbing, or selling dry goods. There are even some to aver that to play the piano continuously for nearly twenty-eight hours is not a championship performance, but a crime.

Mr. Taft is enjoying a number of invitations which imply no obligation to partake of any delicacies other than those recognized by the conventional cuisine.

Possibly some time might have been saved if Senator Aldrich and Representative Payne had held a few preliminary conferences.

Cleveland and Hill. George F. Parker, who held confidential relations with Mr. Cleveland, is contributing to McCiure's Magazine some recollections of his late chief and friend. In the current number the following is a portion

of Mr. Parker's contribution: "There was a vague impression in the public mind during many years that some kind of natural and insuperable an- invented, not long ago, there was a great tagonism had arisen between Mr. Cleve- outcry of alarm lest the use of this deland and David B Hill as the result of vice might make murder easy and de- "is very often like payin' de highes' rate the success of the state ticket in 1888 and tection difficult. Some of the states have of interest foh a loan of counterfeit cussed by Mr. Cleveland in the interval laws forbidding the manufacture, sale or He never seriously regretted his own de- dictions. The inventor claims that his I do not read the fairy tales feat, save that he occasionally referred to what he might have done in matters of appliance merely lessens the noise of gun | That pleased me as a boy. could have had another four years in in warfare, without being so silent as however, the subject came up as a topic of conversation, and, for the first time in

"I want some time,' he said, 'to correct in Evansville, Ind., has, it is reported, the false impression abroad that I ever devised a system of wireless impulses I am unmoved though princes grope ticket was the victim of treachery in New which enables him to detonate a charge Through an enchanted place: York in the election of 1888. Nobody of explosive at a long distance, and he My hero has a telescope could understand better than I how has at the same time produced a new And bravely roams through space. that seemingly contradictory result was explosive of immense power, forty times I care not for the knightly deed, was made upon a single national issue, greater than that of dynamite. In a reso forced to the front that, as I had cent test, it is declared, he discharged My one ambition is to read foreseen, there was no such a thing as this new powder from a station three! The latest news from Mars!

evading it, even if I or my party had so 'On the other hand the state campaign had local issues with their own supporters; men for whom the tariff had only the remotest interest. The brewers had their own organizations for the purpose of protecting the property under their management and jurisdiction. They had the right, and it was even their duty to use their power for their own protection. It they could attract votes from a weak and unpopular republican candidate-supposed Entered as second-class mail matter at the post to be inimical to them-to his opponent who would be fair because he was strong, they had a perfect right to do so. I had had sufficient experience in state politics to understand the whole situation, and

ing his inventions

of discovery.

Suffragettes and Society.

doors, in the manner of a theater or a

who have insisted upon being sent to jail

The First Canoe Drowning.

By the overturning of a canoe in the

taken to paddle home from Alexandria,

percentage of drowning accidents are due

together, for the persistent canoeist will

element he quickly falls a victim. There

are scores of canoeists at present in this

vicinity who greatly enjoy the use of the

local waters during the summer season,

be prolonged indefinitely.

formulate policies of its own.

send out a relief expedition.

tame, can always arouse more or less ap-

Castro will scarcely be content to linger

in Europe and wait for Venezuela to

SHOOTING STARS.

BY PHILANDER JOHNSON.

Taking Care of No. 1.

"I should say so," answered Senator

Sorghum. "And I must say that if I

Identifying It.

s too extravagant?" she asked.

With many men of many minds,

flower," said the haughty lady.

Each more or less intent on pelf,

But scant protection for himself.

other check. "That's a waste basket."

A Great Man's Constituents.

Free trade in speech the statesman finds

Unconscious Innocence.

"My ancestors came over in the May-

"Oh, yes," rejoined Mrs. Cumrox, with

interest. "Mine didn't. None of my

family ever cared for those big excur-

"Borrowin' trouble," said Uncle Eben,

As Taste Changes.

"Do you think my peach-basket hat

"Do your constituents write to

and they will be wise to regard the sad

make as blg a row as possible.

never rermitted myself to reproach Gov. Hill or his friends. 'I have never ceased to admire praise David B. Hill for his clean, highminded administration of the affairs of the state of New York. It kept down taxation and was efficient in carrying out the traditional ideas of his party and of our institutions.'

Not "a vague impression in the publie mind," but a charge publicly and repeatedly made, and used to Mr. Hill's material hurt. In fact it helped to make history. Between 1888 and 1892 the enemies of Mr. Hill in the democratic party everywhere denounced him, on the assertion that he had betrayed the Cleveyear for his own benefit. It was his interest of the public safety. It would game, they declared, to get rid of Mr. be dangerous in the extreme to allow Cleveland and bring himself forward such an invention to become common for the national leadership in 1892. Mr. property. But before any serious degree Hill aspired to his party's presidential of anxiety on this score is felt it will particularly in the south, his candidacy field for the play of imagination. was handicapped by this charge of baseness on his part toward Mr. Cleveland. And when Mr. Hill lost in Chicago in 1892, the anti-Hill men hailed the result as fit punishment for the treachery of

But Mr. Cleveland himself, it seems, never believed the charge. He acquitted lately whenever a suffragette has had Mr. Hill of the base conduct imputed, reason to believe that one of the members and always felt an admiration for the of the government was to attend a funcway the latter had administered the office tion of any kind she would worm her way of Governof of New York. Had this fact past the flunkies and make herself obbeen known to the country would it not have operated in Mr. Hill's favor? If statesman in a debate upon the burning Sickles published in time, might it not have se- issue of equal rights. Several decidedly cured him the Chicago nomination in painful scenes have been enacted in the 1892? One thing it would undoubtedly houses of the leading entertainers of the have done: it would have spiked one of British capital, and now a scheme has in the campaign which led up to that future. Guests are all to be provided climax: nomination.

Mr. Cleveland, so Mr. Parter says, and patience, and great good nature, and wanted to correct the false impression subscription ball. But even this, it is knows the art of handling a crowd. His and set Mr. Hill right before the coun- feared, will not absolutely put a stop to own experience with office-seekers is sup- try. It would have been a brave and the nuisance of the uninvited suffragette. plemented by his observations while Sec- just thing, and pity it is that he never Flunkies can be bribed and tickets can retary of War. He saw Mr. Roosevelt found, or made, an opportunity to do it. be imitated. The campaign of the miliunder fire, so to speak, and must have The truth comes out now after. Mr. tant women of England for the ballot has benefited by the tips of that time. The Cleveland is in his grave, and Mr. Hill, been no mollycoddle crusade. Women politicians, we may be sure, are making largely the victim of that misrepresenno inroads on his strength by their calls tation, has been on the shelf for a dozen

The National Object Lesson.

country were conspicuous in the local life this year. It has been estimated that no less than 30,000 tourists have visited the Capital city during the past few weeks, including numbers of children and instructors bent upon viewing the seat of government as an educational object esson. Each year the volume of travel for visitation. There is no text book on civics and government which can give the student as comprehensive and accurate an idea of the meaning of the federal administration, the functions of Congress and the relations of the various parts of visit of two or three days to the District Personal contact with the tangible evidences of national authority creates an impression which is not to be received in any other manner. Each government building teaches its lesson. Particularly risks for the sheer sport of running into periodical. Some of the items are: fortunate are those who have chosen this year and this season for coming here, for Congress is in extra session and an exceptional opportunity is offered not

Washington is the city of the entire and forty-five minuses, exceeding by one country, not merely of the local residents. minute the best previous performance. It partakes of the national character in residents are assembled from all the states. It has an atmosphere distinctly minute he was removed from the plano, its own. The insularity which unfortuplaced in an automobile and hurried to a nately marks so many of our cities is sanitorium, where he is now completely not known here for this reason, and the tourist who comes with open mind cannot playing, while attendants rubbed his back fail to recognize the fact that here is and limbs and fanned him. His finger offered a type of Americanism not to be found elsewhere. Many of those who It must have been a great thing to have come to visit leave with the desire to re-

The fact that Winfield Scott Hancock will mention with pride, provided he ever was thoughtlessly ridiculed for his stategets out of the sanitorium. There may ment "the tariff is a local issue" may be, it is true, some worldly minded prosaic give courage to some of the present people who will aver that Mr. Wright statesmen whose views are received with

The story that Abdul Hamid buried a vast treasure in the grounds of the Yildiz back to private life long ago." Kiosk is likely to make the place look as if it had been attacked by an amaeur gardener or a boy after fishing

Next year Florida will vote on the prorie Nation is fortunately no serious discouragement to the war waged on alco-

The fact that England has a deficit of its own prevents a certain amount of sage moralizing as to shortcomings in the American form of government.

Venezuelan politics is, as usual, distinguished by two distinctly defined parties. the ins and the outs.

When Mr. Maxim's "silent" gun was sions."

Dangerous Inventions.

was a matter seldom mentioned or dis- seriously considered the enactment of money." between his two terms in the presidency. use of this apparatus within their jurisfederal taxation and expenditure if he fire so that it will be more effective The volume once so charming fails which to develop his policies. In 1906, to increase the danger of secret and For interest now they bid me look undetected crime. Now comes word of my presence, he spoke of it with great another invention which raises the same I get a scientific book question on a larger scale. A young man

To bring a thrill of joy. 'Way off among the stars. And read the news from Mars!

miles away by means of his wireless apparatus. He claims to have the power to detonate a charge as far away from Evansville as Chicago, about 270 miles. IN THE STAR He says he has entered into negotiations with the government with a view to sell-

It is plain that such an explosive, coupled with the power to detonate it by The importance of developing Washingwireless from a distance, would be extion as an attractive city, to induce peotremely dangerous in the hands of the ple to select it as a place of criminally inclined. Memories of Harr residence, was keenly rec-Orchard's confessions are revived in this connection. If what he said in court ognized half a century ago. In The Star of April 26, was true the chief difficulty about effecting the death of the men who, as he 1859, is the following paragraph:

declared, were marked out for slaughter "The question who is to be the successor was in securing means of discharging of the late Mr. James Maher in superinthe explosives without risk of detection. tending the improvement of the public With a wireless system, which in these grounds under his charge is one of great importance to all in the District of Coous are the amateur stations, it would lumbia. Our hope is that the appointbe possible to conduct a murder enterment may not be made upon political prise on a large scale without danger grounds, but that the most competent man the salary will induce to take it may If it is true that the young Hoesier has receive it. In these days of horticultural perfected a new high explosive and wireprogress there is no lack, fortunately, of men of practical experience, science and horticultural embellishment of the prophis secret and guard it jealously, not merely for possible war use, but in the erty of the government in our midst will embellishment. Year by year persons of resorting hither to reside, as is done at the different European capitals. They build and otherwise improve with lavish nomination that year, and New York in- be as well to wait for more news from and style of living add greatly to the structed for him, but in other states, and Indiana, which has always been a fertile comfort of the officials of ...e government living and resorting here, while no other consolidate the union than the cosmopolitan influence of their presence among us. In that point of view, the encourage-London hostesses are having a hard ment of the growth of the habit is of vital time, it is reported, in keeping suffraimportance to the future of the country.' gettes from their drawing rooms on occaworth far more to it than a hundred times as much as has already been expended sions grated by the presence of members upon the public grounds in the District of the British ministry. It seems that of Columbia or as is likely to be in the next quarter of a century.

At the end of the seventieth day of the trial of Representative Daniel E. Sickles noxious by attempting to engage the for the murder of Philip rendered, the jury having been out a few minutes Postmen over an hour. The Star issued a second edition late during the afternoon of April the biggest guns the Clevelandites used been devised to prevent recurrences in the 26, 1859, which gave the news of this speeches at meetings of employes advowith tickets, which they must show at the

"The clerk said: 'Gentlemen of the jury, have you agreed upon your verdict?' The clerk said: 'Stand up, Daniel E. Sickles. And the prisoner stood up, looking calmly upon the jury. The clerk then said: 'Gentlemen of the jury, look opon the prisoner at the bar. Do you find the prisoner at the bar guilty, as indicted, or not guilty?"

"The foreman: 'Not guilty. "The audience, heretofore so quiet, here gave vent to a simultaneous shout, and government had taken extraordinary prenesitate to force their way into the draw- all attempt at restoring order was for a ing rooms in order to attract attention, especially if it is intimated that they are ward the prisoner to congratulate him, munication with the Eiffel tower. Paris and in an instant a multitude of hands vision of a method of barring them is were stretched forth to grasp those of which she had been subjected by the antithe prisoner, amid the wildest excitement. patriots March 13. certain to stimulate their determination "The greatest difficulty was experienced to get into the picture. This is the fundamental principle of the agitation, to which had completely taken possession of clearly the situation, which he declares panion saved himself only with the great- the populace gave full vent to their ap- asks. est difficulty. The canoeists had under- probation by three times three cheers, and row-where, indeed, is it today?' amid the universal excitement Mr. Sickles

where they had been attending the cere- away.' monies of the George Washington celebration, and ran into a bad condition of Robert Bonner's New York Ledger was the tide and currents. This tragedy immensely popular half a century ago and on the river after dark is a dangerous pastime. At best these frail boats must Bonner's awaited by great numbers of years, those of the second choice for be handled with extreme care. A large April 27, 1859, is an adverto the inexpert or injudicious use of tisement of the contents of the current canoes in circumstances which are plain- number, which will revive memories on ly unpropitious. Canocists take heavy the part of those who once read the danger, it would seem. Of course a great "A new and interesting Tale, entitled 'The Queen's Plot; or the Prophet of majority of them are good swimmers.

Canoeing and swimming should always go Sylvanus Cobb, jr. "Another installment of Mrs. Southfind himself frequently in the water, and worth's charming novelette. 'The Hidden if he cannot take care of himself in that Hand.' "The Mt. Vernon Papers. Subject: The Financial Distress of 1857. By Hon Edward Everett "Ideal and Real. A humorous poem. By John G. Saxe. "Wit and Humor. By George D. Pren-"The Cit of the Plain. By Thomas "N. B.-Mr. Benner has the pleasure of

Palmyra. A story of Ancient Days. By

fate of young Mr. Fridinger as a distinct warning of the risk that is run whenever Dunn English. a canoe is used in other than the most favorable circumstances and with the announcing that Charles Dickens, who is universally conceded to be the most popular author living, has been engaged to write a Tale expressly for the columns of Every day's mail brings to the senathe Ledger, and that he is now at work Advance sheets of Mr. Dickens stories have, at different times, been obwhich prove that a tariff argument can tained by American publishers, but this written expressly and solely for an American periodical by such an eminent Mr. Wickersham is apparently confident European author as Mr. Dickens, and of the ability of this administration to yet Mr. Bonner would not have the publie suppose that he thinks there is anything very remarkable about this engagement. It is only part and parcel of his disorders and misdemeanors were com-The Paris mob though now thoroughly policy."

> Rowdyism prevailed in Washington half a century ago to a degree that gave the law-abiding citi-Juvenile roughs, but even small boys spirit of "equality. played thug and thief. In The Star of Barthou, "would be the expression of April 29, 1859, are two local items point-

ing to this condition:

"On Wednesday the attention of the poice was directed to a most fiercely contested stone battle, earried on by boys, n the neighborhood of the Washington Seminary. Officer Ross appeared suddenly among the belligerent juveniles, when a general scampering took place, and the were as selfish in my politics as some of battleground was left in sole possession of my correspondents I'd have been sent that officer. He has, however, the names of several of the offenders, and means are about to be taken as will, it is hoped, lead to the entire suppression of this street nuisance for the future. "The police were kept busy a few menths ago in restraining the juveniles of the suburban localities from fighting, "That isn't a peach basket," answered day after day. They succeeded in breakher husband as he grouchily signed an-other check, "That's a waste basket" ing up the mimic war parties, but now the little fellows have taken to the highway and stop other juveniles who are sent upon errands and rob them of what tion, the result of a long-practiced policy. evil. It is necessary to reform the politithey have. These petty robberies have and the postmen have felt it when they cal morality of the radical party, master tention of the officers. The first example and the odious persecutions which some a party which corrupts all that it does

> twelve years of age.' ABDUL THE EX.

the goods with which he was sent. There

were several in this gang and none over

From the Albany Evening Journal. If Abdul Hamid hadn't tied a string to the constitution and tried to play April fool with it, he would have averted from himself a lot of trouble.

From the Kansas City Times. Ex-Sultan Abdul Hamid may be said to have traded a string of beads for the Young Turk's ponies once too often. From the Providence Evening Bulletin.

It is only fair to give Abdul full credit for having sat on a bobbing lid for thirty-three ticklish years. Few of his predecessors ever did as much. Deposed Abdul Hamid says he wants to die in the palace of Charlghan, where

he was born. That ought to be easily arranged. From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. According to his pictures the deposed sultan carries a heavy load of suspicion. If he only knew what use Turkey has for ex-sultans he might enjoy his new-

found relaxation. From the Milwaukee Evening Wisconsin. From the standpoint of the western world, the humor exceeds the pathos cently that the bureau has been painfully when the captive ex-sultan expresses so- accurate every time it predicted colder licitude for his family.

SYNDICATES VERSUS NATIONALISM VARIOUS VERSES

associated with sylvan fetes, festivities they professed religious sentiments. and flowers. Of late years in France it has become. May Day in France. wrath, with manifestaarchy and threaten government. Syndicates have sprung up under the titles of General Labor Federation and Posts doubtable strike committees. and Telegraph Federation. More re-

Functionaries. France has recently been visited by a series of social and political plagues. March 13 a strike of postmen and telegraphists was inaugurated by 1200 men employed in the central office of the Paris and thus checked the current of social, economical and political life in France, not only to the detriment of France, but to the world without. After the post and progress pari passu with its architectural of the Government Functionaries—clerks who desire to be considered as bosses of property and leisure from a distance are the jobs given them, exclusive of the control of the ministry to which they have been heretofore subject. Finally there came up the socialist congress at hands and capital taste. Their presence St. Etienne, whose program included the discussion of agrarian socialism, preparation for the electoral campaign of 1910. the modification of the statutes, and the such element in our affairs tends more to plan of action for the 1st of May, when it had threatened to annihilate the state. The 1st of May was to be a crisis in the affairs of socialism in France, and since M. Augustin Cochin had written in the Correspondent that crises were the mode -a crisis in science, a crisis in religion, a crisis in parliamentism-why not crises in socialism?

> ing, and yet they did not indicate more than the usual alarm. It was said in the first dispatch that Barton Key a verdict was six postmen had been summoned to the office of Mr. Simyan, under-secretary of posts and telegraphs, and ques-

Questioned. tioned about their recent cating anti-patriotic and anti-military doctrines, attacking government and parllament and favoring affiliation with the General Federation of Labor. The Temps understood that the summoned employes refused to reply, and that should the inquiry to be made by the department of posts result in dismissals the employes will renew their recent agitation.

The cable dispatches from Paris on th

27th instant were not altogether reassur-

The second cable said in substance that the federation-leaders had organized a twenty-four-hour strike for May 1. The cautions. Heavy bodies of troops had been few moments abandoned by the officers. conveyed to Paris, while warships sta-Those outside the bar instantly leaped to- tioned along the coast would insure com-

by the officers in preventing the crowd. Deux Mondes for April 1 and 15. defines Mr. Sickles, from tearing his clothes from to be impossible to exaggerate and full his person. In passing the jury box, Mr. of danger. He thinks that there is some Sickles stopped for a moment to shake thing broken-perhaps irremediably brohands with the jury, when he was finally ken in the political and social edifice in dragged from the courthouse by the ex- France. A long cracking sound has been cited crowd, whose cheers and cries, min- heard. The most deaf, those who do not gled with congratulations, were abso- wish to hear, are the only ones who hear lutely deafening. Outside the courthouse nothing. "Where are we going?" he the populace gave full yent to their ap-The postal strike is the more significant

entered a carriage and drove rapidly in that its apparent causes are more insignificant. Two causes have been giventhe irritation created by a new rule of advancement, which is called "tiercement," a system by virtue of which functionaries of the posts were divided into three categories-those of the first its issues were eagerly advancement were chosen every three readers. In The Star of advancement every three years and three men are equal and should be submitted to the same regime, whether they are intelligent or not, laborious or not, or, finally, useful or not.

> "It is necessary to be just," says M. Charmes, "and we would not be just to-

Favoritism. system the best treated being always the most meritorious. Favoritism today is the open sore, the shame, the cancer of our administration in France from the highest to the lowest. The postmen were at the Hippodrome, where the 4th of April profoundly convinced that they were the orators hurled defiance at the governoften the victims of these detestable po- ment. "Anti-militarism." it was said litical customs, which are not uncommon, perhaps, to all governments, but to which the actual government has con-| ment." cluded to submit until the end. When the postmen submitted their grievances it was replied that the "tiercement" had been established by a circular, s the first time that a tale has been but this circular had been suppressed by

another, of which they did not know pre- ists proposed to exclude M. Herve, bu cisely the date. Under such circumstances and the fact him. that M. Simyan is not only unsympathetic, but brutal, it is not strange that there was a strike, and that there were

When the matter was taken up in the chamber M. Clemenceau was ill. M. Barthou, minister of public works and posts, replied to the interpellation. Charles Dumont complained that all the workmen, delegations or functionaries zens grave anxiety. Not which had met the minister had the imonly were these full-grown pression that they had not been met in a "An equality of that nature," cried M

simple anarchy, and for my part I will not lend myself to such policy. possible that for such insignificant griefs, difficult to define, the public service may be interrupted and functionaries revolt. And against whom? Against the subsecretary? Against the government? No. above us, they revolt against you, against the entire nation whose life is interrupted, whose service is suspended and against which there are suspended over our heads danger of every nature."

If the strike of the postmen was due to the accidental causes assigned it, it

Condition. tom of a general condibeen so frequent as to demand the at- denounced the misdeeds of favoritism and dispenser of power since a long time will be made of a gang of youngsters who of them have suffered or to which some not oppress and oppresses all that it does not corrupt."

CH. CHAILLE-LONG. met a small boy a few days since on an of their families have been victims, "be- not corrupt."

Winter has been dethroned, as we un-

Any man who can sing a song of spring

in these raw winds must have the poesy

Spring would be much more popular

f it would return to form and cease

We wender what April is like in Chile,

Fashion note: Overcoats are being

One of the magazines publishes an arti-

cle in which an attempt is made to show

that the weather bureau is seldom right

in its predictions. We have noticed re-

worn longer than usual this spring.

derstand it, but he does not let Meh-

med Effendi Spring alone on the job.

From the Milwaukee Sentinel.

reminded of the winter?

From the Scranton Tribune.

From the Indianapolis Star.

From the Buffalo Times.

From the Omaha Bec.

its strenuous ways.

From the Boston Advertiser.

From the Chicago Record-Herald.

anyway.

weather.

fever or-worse than that.

From the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

May day since ancient times has been cause they attended church and because The chamber feels, in a confused sort of way, the danger which menaces it and which threatens the constitutional regime Already the power which it has abused is escaping it, and going where? In the To lay their surplus carefully aside for syndicates! Authority finally follows force, and the people have found it in the syndicate. In the face of parliament and the government there rises now the re-

New forces have been formed under th quasi protection of government, which cently there has been added to this army under the Combes administration, for exof malcontents a syndicate of Government ample, gave them aid and support. It is perhaps, too late to halt the movement And M. Charmes evokes the memory of Charlemagne, who wept bitterly when he saw the Norman barks that menaced the coast of France and predicted that which happened after him.

M. Briand, minister of justice, delivered a speech at Neubourg, in the Department of L'Eure. M. Briand is a socialist, and nothing was more natural than he should speak of socialism.

M Briand minister and M Briand simple citizen, constitute two persons quite distinct. This is, perhaps, a weak- If we passed a bloomin' island an' a live thing ness common to mortals. Mr. Gladstone possessed the same weakness. M. Briand frankly avows this when he says: "If We had skins from dead sea serpents dryin" or tomorrow the old friends who criticise me should accept serious posts they would An one time we shot a sea dog that was barking understand that the higher a party holds its ideals the more its program of re- We shot gulls an' albatrosses which was firm forms becomes lengthened and the more the want of order in the nation and discipline in its actions."

sions have arisen in the social and political public was a common center for all republicans: Formed. today small groups have look at each other with deflance, and tomorrow the look may mean fratricide. and the men who gave their blood to establish the republic may tear each other to pleces.

M. Briand confesses that serious divi-

"Yes," added the minister, "these are We had harpoons goin' this way, goin' new things. I recognize that in certain circumstances they may be regarded as That you'd get one run plum you didn't mind your eye will you do? It is the first attack of gout of a society that politically has An' we shot 'em off th' taffrail, twenty dozen aged." And M. Briand added, in a consolatory manner, "Gout may become a Till th' sea was certificate of long life.

M. Briand declared that the syndicate of functionaries was particularly serious. The subject was very delicate. "I am," he said, "a great friend of liberty and I maintain that only when it transforms | An' I've run before th' weather in itself into tyranny we should intervene and repress it.' He confesses that the strikers may have legitimate grievances to submit. The

the administrations are given up to the brigandage of politicians. But if the With a dozen whales, a score o' sharks, a government suffers from the malady it esses the remedy. Under the regime of liberty protestations are heard and "She's a blessed, bloomin' desert from Madeiry nd ce is taken of grievances; injustice should not be perpetuated under the rethe working classes may turn against the regime for which they shed their blood. The ranks of those arrayed in revolt against the state have been reinforced against the state have been reinforced (The Simplified Spelling Board has held tto recently by functionaries led by M. Chartbird annual dinner.) don, master of petitions in the council of state. A meeting was held at the Hotel des Societes Savantes. It would seem that it was an attempt on the part of government to divide the forces of the malcontents-create a diversion. If so, it was unsuccessful.

* * M. Chardon affirmed the right to pro tection against arbitrary governmental authority. He declared the necessity of putting an end to favoritism. Platform. which, having sown disorder in the public service, has broken almost all the springs of parliamentary government. M. Chardon recognizes his months and the others every three years and six months. That offended, it appears, the democratic principle that all that they owe the state anything at all that they owe the state anything at all M. Chardon is opposed to the pretensions of the deputy who would be supreme master in his "circonscription." deputies present protested and the audi-

ence howled, "Down with the 1,500! Hurrah for the strike!" At this juncture the "Citizen" Pataud mounted the rostrum, and the deputies ward the postmen if we made haste to depart. The president. neglected to say that in amid the confusion, declared the seance closed. "Indeed," replied M. Pataud, "we will have another," and he announced.

> "The seance is opened The functionaries in Prince Alberts were obliged to beat a retreat in face of the functionaries of the third class in lackets and in smock frocks. The adjourned meeting was reconvoked "was the first condition of all progress. "We do not care for the form of govern "Patriotism serves only to fanaticize the crowd," etc. At the congress of St. Etienne on the

13th of March the anti-militarist doctrines of M. Gustave Herve were given a large place in the debates. The patriotic social-M. Jaures came to the rescue and saved

The Petite Republique, socialist organ

"There was a moment when it seemed probable that the united socialist Triumphs. party would get rid of M. Herve finally. Jules Guesde and his friends made a vigorous effort in that interest. They failed by a small majority. The apostle of anti-patriotism remains as influential member of the united party. They have committed a very great error for anti-patriotism is a too heavy weight

to carry, and solidarity with Herve is The Gaulois (conservative) says: "The legal ways into which M. Jaure would lead his party do not obtain favor and the violent besides, assured of the weakness of the government, prepare now for direct action. That which inter ests us is the constant progress of the doctrine of M. Gustave Herve. It is the increasing force of the party which aim to destroy the army and consequently suppress the nation. Le Correspondent handles the party

radical without gloves. "This disre gard," it says, "of civic duty and the would still be a subject of general interest on the part of this mass grave disquietude. Un- of functionaries is the vice. It is a defortunately it is a symp- composition of the state. It is necessary to do something else except pass order of the day in the chamber to remedy the

THE SLOWNESS OF SPRING. THE GNU QUESTION.

From the Nashville Banner. How far into the summer are we to be hastened to make the original remark It takes real faith in spring to enjoy that gnu. ride in the open street car these days.

From the Cleveland Leader. T. R. has bagged a gnu. How will the Outlook spell it? From the Milwaukee Free Press.

would do that. From the Springfield Union. Shooting wildebeeste is a gnu experi-

President Roosevelt has killed a wilde-

beeste. Pure wantonness! We gnu he

ence for Col. Roosevelt. From the Toledo Blade. A gnu was the first animal killed in

Africa by Mr. Roosevelt. That ought to please the reformed spelling advocates.

From the Springfield Union. Editor Roosevelt's reason for forbidding the reporters to follow him into the jungle was that he wanted to send all the gnus from Africa to The Out-

From the Concord Evening Monitor. Of course Col. Roosevelt, being a scientist as well as a sportsman, knew the gnu when he had killed it.

ON TIMELY TOPICS

THEIR PET.

They haven't any children to provide for To watch through anxious nights and trying days, Or keep from straying into error's ways. They haven't any dogs to claim attention. And not a cat receives their loving care; No pet of any kind that you could mention

Has ever had a cozy corner there. And he has never longed to have a She wouldn't even bother with gold fishes For any kind of profit or for

No furred or feathered creature, tame or wary, Has ever shared the love they have in stock; They've never even had a blithe causty, But they possess a busy cuckoo clock Chicago Record Herald.

THE LOG OF THE ROOSEVELT.

s gale. But 'twas never had for sharkin', an' caught a whale showed its neck. We had rifles trained upon th' blessed sere at th' crew kept raining' down promise'us an'

We was late a day at Suez 'cause we run out So's to get a blessed saddle on a frisky old see An' we rode him through th' water for an hour body. Formerly the republic was a common

Oh, I say, but it was sporty, knockin' sharks an' whales. An' a-teachin' schools of herring how on their talls. separate themselves; they An' the crew was fearful busy skinnin' bides Stuffin' carcasses for keepin' an' a-swabbin' th' decks.

We had forty kinds o' rifles that was barkin' th' creatures of th' bring was all bur When th' day was wet an' foggy we more or less. filled with chiny an' th' bo'sun's mate, he says:
's a blessed, bloomin' 'turnpike from

Madeiry to Suez!" Oh! I've shipped on many a vessel an' I're mated mars a crestorm that blen for hot an' heavy firin' an' for many From of Davy Jones' locker, there was never cruise like this parliamentary regime is not perfect, while An' we dropped our anchor. Matey, when we'd A hundred tons o' fish scales, an' th' bo'sun's

to Suez!" J. W. Folcy in New York Times.

THE SIMPL MEAL.

'Now good digeschum wate Petite and helth on both;' The chareman's gave gave a rap;
To sit down non was loath;
The waiters served the bowls of supe And every diner cheerd menu," they wad wildly whape, Has not in French appeard.

We shall not tel what all they ate; Suffice it to be sed That heped in plenty on each plate Was mor than simpl bred.

And in each glas were bubbles gay
That made it more than plain That they had driven quite away The g from out champane

Un rose the wise tostmester then nd spoke with bonest pride Of how the simpl spelling men Were striving on each side To make our spelling easy, so That all might do it well, Or study how to spel.

Historik scene! Abov them all A spirit seemed to flote.

And from the past there seemed to call in joyus note No dont, harmonyus, full of cheer. And joining in acord. Two spirits there might wel apear— Josh Billings and A. Ward.

-Chicago Evening Post LINES TO AN HEIRESS.

I do not want a motor car: do not want a yacht: do not pine to roam afar And over Europe trot. do not seek rare works of art. Beloved, it is true.

only object of my heart

For when I've got you, don't you see These other things will come, For in the line of £. s. d. You've got a tidy sum

all these luxuries I'll wait-Yacht, travel, motor, too shall dwell in blissful state

T. Blitherington Notawad, in Harper's Weekl,

GOODBY. FLY.

'Get off the earth, and do it now," says science You pestilential nuisance, it is time The fly has filed no answer yet, but lingers And with the confidence of old, presents its Persistency's his habit, and he's marked by

strength of will. The fiv has always been a pest. That loved to scale the bairless dome; At every feast, unwelcome guest, soup as an especial quest,

In butter, quite at home. It loves to spoil a nap at morn. To hover o'er the sleeper's And buzz and buzz in ribald scorp. Till drowsy wish themselves unborn,

Or else that they were dead. Yet once we thought this fir was fine. A scavanger that cleared the air, Provided by a plan benign. To keep our health from a decline,

Its good repute is vanished now. We call the fly by proper terms. And know that clear from stern to pres A laden pathologic scow, It's chock-a-block with germs

There's fever lodged betwist its toes Grim rheums are shaken from its wings And all its buzzing sounds are those Made by a demon that well knows The woe it's glad it brings.

We sought to check the fly by screen,

We placed for it a poison plate. But none the less, with joyful mien, The fly appeared upon the scene, But never, never ate.

The sticky paper it abjured.
On safer footing wisely bent,
Remarking, "I am not insured,
Nor yet to mucilage inured," So gaily on it went.

"Get off the earth, and do it now." says science. We like to hear it talk that way, for maybe The fly will take the hint and go to trouble Quite a number of paragraphers have But even then we fear 'twill light on distant mystic shore. that they gnu Mr. Roosevelt would kill And wait for us and welcome us, with bill and buzz of yore.

- Henry James in Philadelphia Ledger.

DO IT NOW!

(Scientists, it is said, are preparing a crusade against kissing, alleging that the habit conveys disease. News Item.) Scientists are frowning down

All attempts at osculation. And the girls about the town Are expressing indignation. There is but one thing to do. Therefore, why procrastinate re the measure passes through, Kiss before it is too late: They aver that grim disease And dread microbes and bacilli Will our charming damsels seize, But the girls pronounce it slily.

Notwithstanding rumors rife That the smack may meet its fate, You may yet prolong its life-Kiss before it is too late!

Let the scientists all talk Of a war on osculation.

But the girls are bound to balk Such a silly agitation. Huste, ye maidens, to the fray!
Do not for a second wait!
Pucker up your lips today!
Kiss before it is too late!
-E. A. Brininstool, in Los Angeles Express.